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# Webinar

## How To Modernize Law Firm AR Departments





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## Law Firm Operations Today

- Marketing
  - Marketing Automation?
- Client Intake / CRM
- Conflict Check
- Formal Engagement
- Open Client & Matter File
- Client Onboarding
- Perform Legal Work
- Track Time
- Enter Billing
- Prebill Process
- Invoice Creation
- Invoice Sent

## DONE!





## Law Firm Post-Invoicing Process Today

- Send Invoice To Client
- Waiting Game / Blackbox
- Manual Tracking Via Spreadsheet
- Monthly AR meetings
- Billable & Non-Billable Staff Members
- Collection Efforts
  - Awkward, inconsistent
  - Who?
  - $\circ$  When?
  - Tone?
  - Payment plans?
  - How to track?
- Provide Discount
- Receive Payment (hopefully)

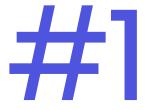
#### **Top Law Firm Priorities Today**



# Increasing **firm revenue** is the highest priority



Improving efficiency of **firm operations** is a close second



Bottom line is #1 metric for success



# Collecting \$.86 on the dollar

## 60 - 94 days to get paid

"Billings are up, collections are down"



#### "The Business Of Law"

- Changing Industry
- "Handshake Business" v. "Business of Law"
- CAC: LTV Ratio
- Client Payment Efficiency Scores
- Client NPS Scores
- Verified Purchase Data
- Invoice Net Terms
- Uniform Payment Procedures
- Consistent Firm-Wide Collection Policies



#### What Is AR Automation For Law Firms?

- Process Between Invoice & Payment
- Billing Department's Best Friend
- Embedded Payments
- Automated Collections
- Usable Data
- Firm's Source of Truth
- AR Safety Net



Innovate where it matters most with the least amount of change, investment, risk, or internal resistance.

#### Modernized AR Dept - Dashboard

#### Features:

- Client activity tracker
- Payment and collection tracker
- Create payment links, run credit card charges, set up recurring payments
- Set up collection funnels
- Easy access to data and reporting

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#### Modernized AR Dept - Dashboard

- Enhanced visibility and control from invoice to payment
- Visibility into client activity between invoice and payment
- No blackbox, manual tracking, reduction of AR meetings
- AR "Source of Truth"
- Less room for error, AR safety net

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## Modern AR Management - Embedded Payments

#### Features:

- Custom Link, OneLink, run manual charge
- Trust and operating accounts
- Credit card and Instant eCheck
- Create link and send with invoice, easy to add to current process
- Auto-receipts sent to clients

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### Modern AR Management - Embedded Payments

- Increased processing efficiency / less manual work and lower internal costs
- Increased client satisfaction / NPS scores
- Gives client more payment options (cc, eCheck, installments, recurring)
- 70% faster payments
- Better collection rates
- Less discounts or reductions
- Avoid "Client Amnesia"
- Payment as last touch point = better referral and return rate

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|---------------|--|---|
| Firm          | <b>Perry Mason Esq.</b><br>123 Main Street, San Francisco, CA 94110<br>Tel. 415-325-2932 | Balance Due   |
| Request Total | \$5,000.00   | \$5,000.00  |
|               |  | <ul> <li>Payment takes less than 30 seconds to complete, and you will not be charged any fees.</li> </ul> |
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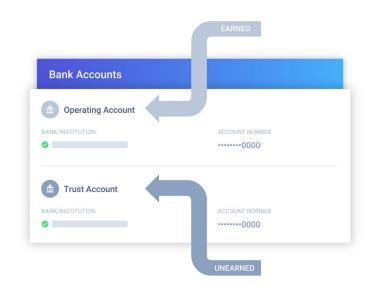


## **Modern AR Management - Compliance**

#### **Features:**

- 100% compliant with all 50 state bars
- 100% compliant with ABA and IOLTA
- Separate trust and operating funds during online transmission process
- Trust and operating funds are never commingled
- No fees taken from trust funds, no chargeback access to trust funds
- 100% PCI compliance
- Tokenized card data and encrypted PII data

- Less room for error
- Reduced liability for firm
- Streamlined operations for accepting payments



## Modern AR Management - Automated Collections

#### Features:

- Consistent collection procedures (that no one hates)
- Set up collection funnels via Automated Reminders
- Firm controls cadence, messaging, tone, who it comes from, how long the reminders continue
- Clients can set up payment plans via installment payments

- Less manual work for billable and non-billable firm members
- Less awkward contact with clients
- AR safety net never close a file that's missing final payment again
- Higher collection rates
- Increased client satisfaction



## Modern AR Management - Data & Reporting

#### Features:

- AR Dashboard with all real-time activity
- AR Dashboard with historic firm-wide AR statistics
- In-depth reporting regarding individual transactions, clients or time periods
- Coming soon: segmented data by practice area, geography
- Coming soon: NPS data

- Easier access to data
- Ability to use data to make better firmwide decisions (LTV : CAC)
- Internal method of tracking client satisfaction scores at time of payment
- Verified purchase data



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